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Senior Representative, []

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BGFIEND Field Operational Planning for Uprising in Albania

REFERENCE: KAPOK 1232 ()

1. This dispatch should be read in conjunction with reference.
2. Rather than change the composition of reference dispatch, certain views of the station which prompted the preparation of reference dispatch were perhaps not made adequately clear in reference dispatch and are reproduced here in the nature of an introduction to reference.
3. It is felt here that there may be crystallizing, at home, a feeling that the next year (1953) is critical in respect to decisive operational activity in Albania. Although we do understand that firm decisions have not been taken yet, we are most anxious to be in the best possible position to carry out a firm decision. At the same time, we wish to be certain that those views which have been set forth in reference dispatch and the factual information contained therein is at your immediate reference.
4. The interplay of the political aspirations, in Albania, of the various countries concerned is another important factor touched upon in reference dispatch. Some of our questions in this respect were answered in the course of Rivett's visit here recently. (We had asked Hoxter to prepare reference before we knew of Rivett's visit).
5. This therefore, is merely to reassert and remind that we shall need a minimum of several months to get ready to carry out specific activities if 1953 is going to be the year of decision. We hope and trust that our immediate interest in the developments in this matter will be borne in mind with that in view.

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